



YWAM MEDELLIN

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Bethel Boy's Home



Enith & four girls from the home.

We thank God for the life of each boy. At the moment they are doing well and continue in their studies. It is through this that they are moving ahead in their process of socialization and personal advancement – moving ahead with their life goals. Some of the boys are in our “Pain Unit,” where we accompany them in the process of dealing with the loss of their families.



We continue to pray for Luis Eduardo, a boy who is going to be living with us, but still has to make some adjustments before he can move in. We also welcome Christian & Joseph, two new boys in our ministry. The boys are praying for a few needs in the home like a computer to do their homework and a television.

Dear Friend, How have you been?

We want to share with you what we have been doing in the last few months. We thank God for His support, His mercy and His help. We depend completely in Him and without Him we can do nothing.

Camping!

During June vacation we went to a retreat centre outside of Medellín. We were at a farm with sport activities and a pool. The children had lots of opportunity to move around and they didn't have to do any chores! The theme of this retreat was “The Father Heart of God.” Many of our kids don't have fathers or have had bad experiences with them.

The lack of a father or the bad example of an earthly one, affects the image that the children have of their heavenly Father. We had teaching each day and reflexion time in small groups. Many were touched, but there is still a great deal of healing needed in their hearts. God needs to do a profound work in their lives. We know that only He can change them and heal their deep wounds. We had a great time in this retreat. The children enjoyed themselves and learned a lot.



Denver Outreach Team (USA)

In July, we hosted 18 youth for three weeks from YWAM Denver, USA. The team had representatives from 4 nations: England, Australia, South Korea and the USA. As varied as was the team, so was the program: taking turns in the children's homes, a health brigade in a poor area, working with churches, impact in the local jail, evangelism in schools and in parks. Their strength was in mercy work and evangelism. Through the arts (modern dance, music, theatre) they reached many youth, adults, drug addicts, homeless, street children and they left a mark. For example 20 men from the jail received Christ. This multicultural team did an excellent job and was a great blessing to us.



Ebenezer Girl's Home

In the girl's home the process is going well for the most part. Some are still having behavioural or academic problems, but in general to God be the Glory, because the fruits are honouring His name. This year 2 girls will be graduating from High School, Angie Rodriguez and Betty Aldana. Thank you Jesus.

The Promised Land Project

Every large project starts with small steps and for us it is no different. For many people, \$600,000 USD is a figure that they cannot imagine and for others it is not such a big goal. It is all in one's perspective and for us, our perspective comes from God. ***If what we attempt is from Him then the figure doesn't matter much.***

At the same time, when we presented **The Promised Land Project**, we explained that it is a Project with various stages. *The first is the farm that we wish to purchase outside of Medellín.* We feel that it is God's desire for our children to have *a permanent home*, far from the traumas, continual uprooting and pollution of the city.

The cost of the farm is approx. \$150,000 USD. Upon completing the purchase we can design the houses and begin construction. We already have people interested in helping out and we know that God will send work teams (just like the one from Denver) to move the work forward.



We already have more than \$20,000 USD and we pray that the donations, whether they be \$25, \$50 or more, continue to arrive to fulfill a dream very close to the heart of God.

“Bread For Life” with Rosita Zapata

We thank God for the opportunity to provide this service in the streets. We are thankful for His backing and protection.

We have been working in the “hotel,” doing different activities with the children to get to know each other and having devotionals to teach them stories about Jesus. This

way we begin to form principals and values in their lives. In the street we give out hot chocolate and bread to both children and adults. We also preach the Gospel, sharing with them about God's love that is available for them and giving them a message of hope for the situation in which they are living. We pray for them, listen to their stories and try to show that we value them and build their self-esteem.



We continue to pray that God will provide the resources to open a house (children's centre) where we can begin the process of socialization with some of these streetkids. This would be a place where they can get to know God and form their dreams for the future.

God is great. We know that when we act in His will and in His strength, He does his part. We know that our children are in His hands. Only He can change their hearts and their attitudes. Only He can heal the wounds in their hearts. Only He can take children and adults off of the streets and only He can bring conviction. God is great. We see His power and we desire to grow each day in our faith and trust.

Thank you for your support!

Prayer Requests

For Committed Staff

Finances for the ministry.

Provision for the Health Brigades (Each brigade costs approx. \$6,000 USD).

A computer for the office, a freezer for the girl's home and a car for the ministry.

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